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# REQUEST TO MAKE AVAILABLE EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS

### **COMMUNICATION**

FROM

### THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

HIS REQUEST TO MAKE AVAILABLE EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS TOTALING \$57,800,000 IN BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND TO DESIGNATE THE AMOUNT MADE AVAILABLE AS AN EMERGENCY REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(b)(2)(D)(i) OF THE BALANCED BUDGET AND EMERGENCY DEFICIT CONTROL ACT OF 1985, AS AMENDED, PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. 1107



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## THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, March 22, 1995.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR: In accordance with provisions of P.L. 103–327, the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independence Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995, I hereby make available appropriations totaling \$57,800,000 in budget authority for the Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds will be used to assist communities in recovering from the damage caused by Tropical Storm Alberto and subsequent flooding.

I designate the amount made available as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget

and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with her comments and observations.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

Enclosure.

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### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, Washington, DC, March 22, 1995.

The President, The White House.

Submitted for your consideration is a request to make available emergency appropriations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Your approval of this request would make available previously appropriated funds to HUD in order to assist communities in Florida and Georgia to recover from the damage caused by Tropical Storm Alberto and subsequent flooding.

Public Law 103–327, the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995, included a \$180 million contingent emergency appropriation for the Community Development Grants program. The availability of these funds was made contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. Of the \$180 million, \$122.2 million has been designated previously as an emergency requirement and made available. The remaining \$57.8 million is now needed to assist Georgia and Florida in the repair and reconstruction of damaged houses and infrastructure, business recovery, and acquisition and relocation of damaged housing located in the flood plain. The funds to be distributed in Florida will be targeted to areas that have received Small Business Administration disaster declarations.

I recommend that you designate this request as an emergency funding requirement in accordance with section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended.

I have carefully reviewed this proposal and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. Therefore, I join the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in recommending that you make the requested funds available by signing the enclosed letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. No further congressional action will be required.

Sincerely,

ALICE M. RIVLIN, Director.

Enclosure.

Emergency Appropriations: Amounts Previously Appropriated Made Available by the President

Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Planning and Development: Community development grants ......

\$57,800,000

Title VI, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, contained in Public Law 103-327, the Departments of Veterans Affairs and

Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995, provided \$180 million for the Community Development Grants program. The availability of these funds was made contingent upon the President submitting a budget request to the Congress and designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement. Of the \$180 million, \$122.2 million has been designated previously as an emergency requirement and made available. At this time, the remaining \$57.8 million is needed to assist Georgia and Florida in the repair and reconstruction of damaged houses and infrastructure, business recovery, and acquisition and relocation of damaged housing located in the flood plain. The funds to be distributed in Florida will be targeted to areas that have received Small Business Administration disaster declarations.